

## House Resolution 964

By: Representatives Neal of the 1<sup>st</sup> and Weldon of the 3<sup>rd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Lakeview Ft. Oglethorpe High School Academic Decathlon Team; and for  
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Lakeview Ft. Oglethorpe High School Academic Decathlon Team from  
4 Catoosa County has secured the 2009 PAGE Georgia Academic Decathlon state title; and

5 WHEREAS, the team competed against 19 other teams from across this state to earn their  
6 title on February 28, 2009, and will represent Georgia in the national competition in  
7 Memphis, Tennessee, in April; and

8 WHEREAS, the focus for the 2009 Georgia Academic Decathlon was Latin America and  
9 evolutionary biology, and in order to prepare for the competition, participants were required  
10 to study the art, music, and economics of Mexico as well as Darwin's voyages in Latin  
11 America and his development of evolutionary theory; and

12 WHEREAS, ably led by Coaches Ian and Lisa Beck, team members Mary Beth Richardson,  
13 Destin Sisemore, Steven Harris, Casey Crook, Caitlin Russell, Joey Bowen, Donal Hollis,  
14 Cody Dunn, Eola Park, and Daniel Goins emerged victorious thanks to their dedication and  
15 immense knowledge; and

16 WHEREAS, in capturing this prestigious state title, these smart and gifted students have  
17 brought great honor to their school and community.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
19 the members of this body join in congratulating the Lakeview Ft. Oglethorpe High School  
20 Academic Decathlon Team on winning the 2009 PAGE Georgia Academic Decathlon State  
21 Finals.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
23 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the team members and  
24 coaches of the Lakeview Ft. Oglethorpe High School Academic Decathlon Team.